

Renewable Energy Trust (RET)

Grant Application

Thank you for your interest in the Renewable Energy Trust. Please complete this application to be considered for a project grant. To enable Xcel Energy and the Renewable Energy Trust's Customer Advisory Panel to adequately evaluate your proposal, please thoroughly answer each question. When filling out this application, please keep in mind the evaluation criteria listed below.

Project Evaluation Criteria

- The grant recipient is a public or not-for-profit organization.
- The project will not be used for commercial or individual benefit.
- The geographic location of the project is within Xcel Energy's service area in Colorado.
- The amount of project funding from sources other than the Renewable Energy Trust.
- The total cost of the project and the cost effectiveness of the renewable energy system.
- The environmental value or community benefits of the project.
- The project's ability to increase public awareness or education about renewable energy.
- The project's ability to increase public awareness of the Renewable Energy Trust.
- The project's ability to interact with other existing energy efficiency and renewable energy efforts.
- The project's ability to create workforce development and/or volunteer opportunities.

The Renewable Energy Trust Customer Advisory Panel makes recommendations for project grant funding. Submission of a grant application does not guarantee funding by the Renewable Energy Trust. The Renewable Energy Trust's grant funds are limited and subject to availability. Grant application deadlines are May 15 and December 15. Grant applications received after the deadline will be reviewed after the next scheduled review meeting.

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Project Questionnaire

Please be sure to provide a response to each question.

1. Briefly describe your public or not-for-profit organization including mission statement, goals, and objectives.
2. Please attach a copy of the organization's IRS determination letter indicating tax-exempt status, issued within the last five years.
3. Please provide the name, mailing address and phone number of the organization.
4. Provide the name, title, phone number and email address of a contact person for this project.
5. Describe your project including the type of renewable energy technology (photovoltaic, wind, geothermal, etc.).
6. Is this project new construction or a remodel/retrofit project?
7. What is the estimated power output/capacity in kilowatts (kW) of the proposed project? Please specify AC or DC. You may attach additional technical equipment specifications to this application.
8. Where will the project be located? Include physical mailing address if possible.
9. Will the project be connected to Xcel Energy's electric system?
10. Do you plan to net meter (interconnect and sell excess electricity generated to utility)?
11. What is the total project estimated cost?

12. How much funding are you requesting from the Renewable Energy Trust?
13. Are you applying for Xcel Energy's Solar Rewards Program incentives? If so, how much?
14. Please list any other sources and amounts of funding for this project.
15. Do you have any funding deadlines? If so, provide the date.
16. What is your proposed project construction schedule/timeline?
17. Provide the name, address and phone number of your contractor and list his/her qualifications to install and maintain this project (if available).
18. Describe how this project will increase the awareness or provide education about renewable energy to the general public, your membership, students, the community, etc.
19. Describe how this project will increase public awareness of the Renewable Energy Trust.
20. How many people do you anticipate will be exposed to your education efforts?
21. What are the potential environmental benefits and impacts of this project?
22. Describe any other potential benefits from this project if applicable.
23. Describe how this project fits in with your overall energy efficiency and renewable efforts.

Please return the completed application and any attachments via email or snail mail to:

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